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Night-Song in the Jungle



Now Chil the Kite brings home the night

That Mang the Bat sets free –

The herds are shut in byre and hut,

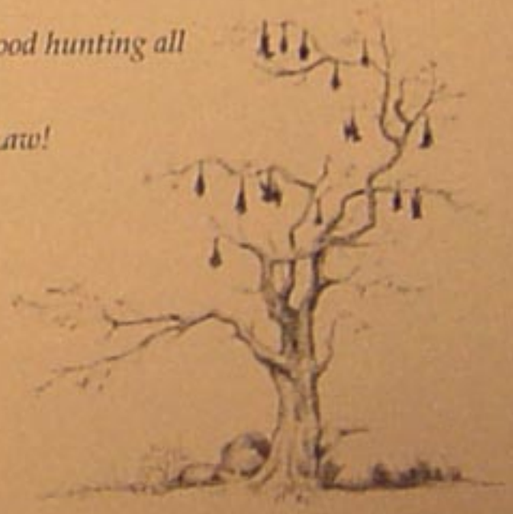
For loosed till dawn are we.

This is the hour of pride and power,

Talon and tush and claw.

Oh, hear the call! – Good hunting all

That keep the Jungle Law!



Mowgli's Brothers



IT WAS SEVEN O'CLOCK of a very warm evening in the Seeonee hills when Father Wolf woke up from his day's rest, scratched himself, yawned, and spread out his paws one after the other to get rid of the sleepy feeling in their tips. Mother Wolf lay with her big grey nose dropped across her four tumbling, squealing cubs, and the moon shone into the mouth of the cave where they all lived. "Augrh!" said Father Wolf, "it is time to hunt again"; and he was going to spring downhill when a little shadow with a bushy tail crossed the threshold and whined: "Good luck go with you, O Chief of the Wolves; and good luck and strong white teeth go with the noble children, that they may never forget the hungry in this world."



It was the jackal – Tabaqui, the Dish-licker – and the wolves of India despise Tabaqui because he runs about making mischief, and telling tales, and eating rags and pieces of leather from the village rubbish-heaps. But they are afraid of him too, because Tabaqui, more than